

A Co-Operative Home.

The following is a brief description of the industrial palace, at Guise, France. It was established on the co-operative principle, to enable the mechanics and employees in the factories at that place to enjoy the benefits and comforts of home life, and at the same time secure them at a low cost. All members of the home share in the profits of the stores connected with it, or in other words, get their goods at first cost. Mrs. Bristol, who visited the institution, thus writes to the Evening Post:

"The Social Palace at Guise is an immense brick edifice in the form of three parallel wings, each of which encloses an interior court paved with cement and covered with a glass roof. The court of the central part of the edifice is about a hundred and fifty feet in length and sixty in width. Around the entire circumference of these courts are three tiers of galleries, upon which open the doors that give entrance to the family apartments, and also the windows of the interior row of rooms. These galleries are very pleasant and attractive, being arranged in a manner that prevents accidents to children, protected from all inclemency of weather, cheerfully with the light of the spacious glass roofs, and fresh with the perfect ventilation afforded by the graded openings in the court from the underground galleries, and the circulation of air through the large corridors opening upon the galleries and connecting the wings with the central portion of the edifice. Here the visitor who takes advantage of the delightful promenade which the galleries afford, will be likely to meet in the morning, children from one to two years of age toddling along in all liberty and safety; or if it is afternoon one may chance upon groups of young girls sitting together, their hands occupied with some light employment as they converse. Here, too, in the early part of the day, one is certain to encounter many of the women of the family home as they hurry along the galleries and corridors intent upon their daily vocation. Most of these women look strong, tidy, healthy and cheerful, and like nearly all the women of French peasantry, they are brown and ruddy, wear caps of white muslin as the ordinary covering for the head in-doors and out, and protect their dresses with the large aprons common to domestic service. They have an executive or business-like air, yet never forget their salutation of politeness as they pass you.

Many of the windows of the home, those which open on the exterior of the facade, as well as those which command a view of the central courts, are beautiful with pots of magnificent geraniums. There are more than 1,000 of them in the Social Palace. "Space and light," says M. Godin, "are the first stimulants to the healthfulness and cleanliness of the home." Hence there are no dark closets or corridors at the home. From every point of view these windows command a pleasing prospect.

The rooms of the Unitary Habitation vary in their dimensions, so that the workman is able to select such will comport with his means. The conveniences of water, ventilation, space, light and the pleasures of the galleries and courts are alike on every story. At the top of the edifice are large granaries or store rooms for the convenience of each family, and under the entire palace are cellars divided into compartments, with doors numbered and walls clean and white.

During my stay at the palace I entered many of the apartments, and whenever I walked the galleries I had an opportunity to look through the large open windows into the interior row of rooms. Many are handsomely furnished and are kept with great neatness; others are more scantily furnished, and some are less tidy in appearance. The inequalities which nature established between human beings are not less manifest in housekeeping than in other departments of activity, and the United Home at present offers no exception to this rule, other than that the conditions of the home life and the conditions of the institution, modify the degree of disparity; since any marked phase of untidiness would be certain to fall under the observation of the vigilant director of the establishment, M. Fabre, and would become a cause for exclusion.

The stores of the association are in the lower story of the central part of the building, and are attended by women of the household paid by the association. These stores are supplied with whatever is necessary for ordinary need and comfort. One fails to discover any trace of confusion in the daily management and operations of the Social Habitation. This is due, probably to the perfect system adopted by the managing council and the vigilance and good humor of the head agent. One fails also to hear the noise which might naturally be expected from families living in such close proximity. This is due in part to the architectural arrangement, and in part to a system which relieves the family from most of the causes which produce noise and confusion and implants in the minds of each a desire for the well being and comfort of all; for the two primary causes of noise and disturbance in the home of the workman are cooking and washing. In the Unitary Home the necessity for cooking in the family apartments is very much lessened, bread being in ample quantities at the stores of the institution, and fruit being brought from the country every morning to the doors of the edifice.

The family washing also can be accomplished in a separate building furnished with every convenience for the purpose. Here, in the early part of the week, women are found busy at this service, which is rendered so easy by the convenience of arrangement that it seems quite divested of its old time aspect of drudgery, and any lady might be pardoned for a desire to have a hand in the fun. The water is supplied from the industrial workshops, filling also a large swimming bath of fifty square metres in surface.

"At night all is quiet in the social palace as in the most isolated farmhouse with the exception of the watchman, who makes his round every hour from garret to cellar."

Mrs. Bristol then gives a delightful description of the management of the children in the Unitary home, who enter school at eight o'clock, where they remain with frequent intermissions till 6 p. m. There are 279 in the institution and as no corporal punishment is allowed they have an air of freedom, buoyancy and spontaneity. There is a building which serves as a hall for meeting and for festivals, on which occasions decorations and mottoes adorn

the lofty room. An orchestra of forty musicians furnish a luxury of perfect sound when desired.

"The United Home," she continues, "comprises more than four hundred separate families, each occupying suits of apartments in the edifice, which by its construction combines certain exceptional advantages, comforts and conveniences, and presents them as the common opportunity and enjoyment of all. It is an association of labor and capital, which secures to each and every individual in the institution an equal participation in the benefits by such means and under such conditions as indentify the well being of the individual with that of the associate body. The society comprises the following degree of membership: First, associates; second, sociétaires; third, participants. The right and guarantee which which the institution offers to any one of its members, correspond to the degree of membership which the individual sustains. The general qualifications necessary for admittance to these degrees of membership are good moral character and irreproachable conduct."

Ed. GRAPHIC—I see my former communication was duly inserted. As for the improvement of our stock—it only needs some one to make a start, and then the way is plain enough—that is, breed from pure stock and then offer them for sale and keep improving. Thus we would soon demonstrate what Adair might do in the way of stock raising.

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I would like also these two columns of the GRAPHIC filled up by the farmers. I wish to hear from others at different points in the county. Yours,

NOVINGER FARMER.

[NOTE.—We could easily fill these two columns with so-called agricultural matter from our exchanges, but do not wish to do so, as we give that kind of matter in another place. We want live original matter from farmers, and farmers wives in North Missouri, on topics of their own choosing.—EDITOR GRAPHIC.]

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U. S. LAND OFFICE, KIRKSVILLE, MO., November 10, 1880.

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Friday the 31st of December, 1880, viz: William H. Tracy, homestead entry No. 10525, for the E 1/4 of Sec. 4 and the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 9, Tp. 63, R. 17, and he names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said tracts, viz: David R. Picketts and Landon Picketts, of Shibley's Point, and Lewis C. Gates, of Jasmine Station, and Peter Gates, of Greensville; all of Adair county, Mo.

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